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Basketball Coach and Teacher Sentenced to 90 Months in Prison for Engaging in Sexual Abuse of 15-Year-Old Student

Washington, D.C. - Daniel L. King III, 33, of Washington, D.C. was sentenced to 90 months in prison on September 18, 2009, by the Honorable Michael Rankin in D.C. Superior Court for engaging in a sexual relationship with a child that he taught, coached, and mentored, announced Acting U.S. Attorney Channing D. Phillips. King will also have to register as a sex offender for ten years once he is released from prison. King plead guilty on July 15, 2009, to First Degree Child Sexual Abuse.

According to the government's evidence presented at the plea hearing, from November 2005 through December 2007, King engaged in a sexual relationship with a child when that child was ages 15 through 17. During the time the sexual relationship was occurring, King was the child's computer teacher, basketball coach, and school mentor.

In announcing the sentence, Acting U.S. Attorney Phillips praised the outstanding investigative work of Metropolitan Police Department Sexual Assault Unit Detective William Weeks, who was the lead detective on the case, and Youth Investigations Division Detective Darryn Robinson, who provided essential assistance. He also commended Victim/Witness Advocate Melissa Milam for her service to the victim, along with Paralegals Joyce Arthur and Tiffany Jones and Legal Assistant Donice Adams who worked extensively on the case. Finally, he commended Assistant U.S. Attorney Sharon Marcus-Kurn, who investigated and prosecuted the case.

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